

FITCHBURG CITY CLERK

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CITY OF FITCHBURG MASSACHUSETTS CITY COUNCIL CALENDAR January 19, 2016 7:00PM

Memorial Middle School Library 615 Rollstone Street Fitchburg MA 01420

WELCOME TO THE FITCHBURG CITY COUNCIL!

This is intended to help you understand the meeting format and assist you with the rules of the Council as they pertain to your participation.

All meetings of the Fitchburg City council are open to the public. This does not mean that the public participates in all aspects of the meeting. It simply means that the meeting itself, including all discussions and votes, is open for public view.

Executive Session

The only time a Council meeting can be closed to the public is when the Council votes for Executive Session in order to discuss sensitive matters in private, such as pending litigation. Any votes taken however, must be taken in open session.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK DURING A COUNCIL MEETING:

Public Forum

The Public Forum occurs immediately following the Pledge of Allegiance. The President will ask if anyone in the audience wishes to speak on any matter appearing on the Agenda. If you wish to address the Council, you must stand and be recognized and follow these rules before speaking:

- 1. State your name and address.
- 2. Approach the center table and either stand or sit. This allows you to be seen and heard clearly by everyone in attendance.
- 3. You may speak only on items appearing on the agenda for no more than (2) minutes. Copies of the agenda are available on the center table prior to the meeting.
- 4. Please state the petition, order, ordinance, or resolution number to which you refer.

Public Hearings

Public hearings are held on various issues such as Special Permits and Zoning changes. The same rules apply with the following exceptions:

- 1. You must stand and be recognized either "in favor" or "in opposition" when asked by the Council President.
- 2. You need not refer to the petition number.

If you have any questions or comments either before or after the meeting, any Councillor would be happy to assist you.

I. PUBLIC FORUM

II. REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RECORDS

III. COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

IV. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS

V. COMMUNICATIONS: OTHER

VI. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Oral Report

New Appointments:

Airport Commission

Clayton R. Raymond, 559 Shea St. Fitchburg (Term to expire February 1, 2018)

Richard Liberatore, 404 Westminster Hill Rd. Fitchburg (Term to expire July 1, 2016)

License Commission

Donna Pawlak, 509 Mechanic St. Fitchburg (Term to expire June 1, 2018)

VII. HEARINGS

- 250-15. Joseph Poznick, Chairman on behalf of the Airport Commission to petition the City of Fitchburg to accept as a gift, purchase, or to take by eminent domain under Ch. 79, s. 1 of the MA General Laws, permanent avigation easements located in the area of Battles Avenue as outlined in the enclosed petition.
- 248-15. SPECIAL PERMIT HEARING: Jeffrey Dumay for renovations to property located at 196-198 Water St. that has been vacant for more than two years. Renovations to include rental apartments on second and third floor and two commercial spaces on first floor.
- 240-15. City of Fitchburg Planning Board to amend Chapter 181 of the Code of the City of Fitchburg entitled "Zoning" and accompanying Zoning Map as follows: Add a new section 181.89, West Fitchburg Corridor Overlay District.

VIII. ORDERS - FINANCE

- 007-16. ORDER: Accepting the gift of \$3,000 from Mr. Kenneth Posco to purchase a device enabling the FPD to connect to the internet at the Community Center at 150 Main Street.
- ORDER: Approving the expenditure of funds from the MA Executive Office of Public Safety and Security as follows:

 FY16 Fire SAFE Program \$5,937

 FY16 Fire Senior SAFE Program \$3,115
- ORDER: Approving the expenditure of funds from the Montachusett Opportunity Council for the First and Railroad Street Playground Improvement Grant, in the approximate amount of \$17,609.
- ORDER: Appropriate \$29,797 same to be charged to Available Funds and credited to accounts as follows: Election and Registration Personal Services \$24,484; Election and Registration Personal Services Overtime \$1940; Election and Registration Expenses \$3,373
- 011-16. ORDER: Transfer the sum of \$16,000 from Police Personal Services to Police Other Expenses.

IX. PETITIONS

- O12-16. South Coast Development, 280 Ayer Road, Harvard MA for flammable storage of 35,000 gallons as follows: 26,000 gallons of gasoline and 9,000 gallons of diesel in two underground fuel storage tanks at 487 Princeton Road. (Public Hearing on February 4, 2016)
- 013-16. SPECIAL PERMIT PETITION: Robert Lemay, to renovate non-conforming building that has been abandoned or not used for a period of more than two years at 148 Myrtle Ave. Map 33, Block 124, Lot 0.

 (Public Hearing on February 16, 2016)